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February 11, 2009

MEMORANDUM 2009-04

TO:

County Engineers

CC:

Division Engineers and Division County Transportation Engineers

FROM:

D.E. (Ed) Phillips, Jr., Chief, County Transportation Bureau

REFERENCE: Revised ALDOT Plan Assembly Borders

Please find attached correspondence from Mr. D.W. Vaughn, P.E., Chief Engineer/Deputy Director, announcing the use of revised plan sheet borders. These revised plan sheet borders will be required on all county projects let through State Services. The new sheet borders are to be used on any project that is to be let after July 1, 2009, or has not had a PS&E review prior to March 1, 2009, or had final plans completed after the date of Mr. Vaughn's memo, dated January 9, 2009. If any one of the conditions mentioned above has been met, the new borders are not required. Please feel free to contact this office if you have any questions as to whether or not any specific project requires the revised borders.

On plans prepared internally by the county, the signature blocks are to be signed by the responsible county staff positions. On plans prepared by consultants, the signature blocks are to be signed by the responsible consultant staff positions.

The revised plan sheet borders can be downloaded from the ALDOT internet website. From the ALDOT internet website (www.dot.state.al.us) look in the "Explore ALDOT" block toward the bottom of the home page. You will find a link entitled "Bureaus". Click the "Bureaus" link. From the "Bureaus" page, click the "Design" link. From the "Design" page, look for an "Information Sources" block in the middle of the page. In the second paragraph you will find a link entitled "Engineering Support". Click the "Engineering Support" link. On the "Engineering Support" page you will see a list of links under the "Contacts" heading. Currently, the last entry is entitled "ALDOT New Borders 1/9/2009". This is the link to the revised plan sheet borders. A quick address to this page is http://www.dot.state.al.us/Docs/Bureaus/Design/Roadway/Engineer+Support/EngSupp.htm.

These files can be downloaded to a computer that has Microstation installed. If using AutoCAD, I assume you know how to convert Microstation files to AutoCAD.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or comments concerning this matter.

DEP/dep Attachment

Pc: Mr. Don T. Arkle, Assistant Chief Engineer, Policy & Planning

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January 9, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To: All Division Engineers
Design Bureau
Maintenance Bureau
Construction Bureau
Right-of-Way Bureau
Bridge Bureau
County Transportation Bureau
Office Engineer Bureau
Transportation Planning Bureau
FHWA

From: D.W. Vaughn, P.E.

Chief Engineer / Deputy Directory

Subject: Release of Revised ALDOT Plan Assembly Borders

Four revisions have been made to the right side of the standard ALDOT plan sheet borders to emphasize accountability for projects designed by ALDOT personnel. The Professional Engineer and Design Manager responsible for checking the plan sheet, as well as the last designer to work on the plan sheet shall sign and date each sheet in the appropriate spaces to acknowledge they physically checked the <u>printed</u> sheet. If the Professional Engineer in charge and the Design Manager is the same person, then that person shall sign and date the sheet in both areas. Also, the plan inspection and/or review description shall be labeled within the border. Plan sheets shall be signed and dated as discussed above before submitting the final plan assembly to Office Engineer.

All projects to be let after July 1, 2009, and/or any project not completing a PS&E Inspection prior to March 1, 2009, shall use the revised borders. This does not apply to plans finalized prior to the date of this letter that were not processed for letting at the time they were completed.

Attached is one example of a plan sheet with the revised border. The new borders can currently be located within the ALDOT CAD Resources on the Design Bureau server DSNTS020 and on the intranet web page for the Design Bureau / Roadway Design Section at the following link:

http://csiis5/C16/Roadway%20Design%20Section/default.aspx